

Construction of Sub -Centre located at Belgaum Taluk.

143 SRI P. A. PAWASHE (Uchagaon)—

Will the Minister for Health and Family Welfare be pleased to state—

(a) the number of ANM Quarters-Cum-Sub-Centre buildings of the Primary Health Centres constructed in Belgaum Taluk.

(b) what is the total estimated cost of each such building.

(c) whether the construction of these buildings have been completed and the buildings have been handed over to the concerned department?

SRI A. K. ABDUL SAMAD (Minister for Health and Family Welfare)

(a) Statement laid on the table.

(b) Amount Rs. 35,000 for each sub-centre building at the present.

(c) *Vide* reply furnished at (a).

Closure of Mico Factory at Bangalore.

SRI A. LAKSHMISAGAR.—Sir, with your kind permission, I would like to raise this matter of sudden closure of MICO factory. Sir, this is the notice that has appeared in today's Deccan Herald —

“Following Large-scale violence and extensive damage to property in the MICO factory premises on Thursday, the Management have been forced to suspend operations with immediate effect.

Such of those Managerial and essential staff required to attend the Factory will be notified later.”

This is a matter which has been engaging the attention of the citizens of Bangalore in general and the MICO employees in particular. This is not the first time that such a thing has happened. This is, I believe, for the second time in the recent week that such a thing has happened. When the last incident took place, it went on for months together and somehow they were able to solve the problem and the factory returned to normalcy and workers were allowed to go there and work normally. Once again the situation has gone out of control. As per the notice published in today's paper, the immediate effect is that the factory has been closed and a lock-out has been declared unilaterally. What the Management says may be true or may not be true but the fact remains that the Management has declared a